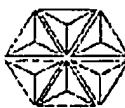


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PETITION UNDER 37 CFR §1.313(c) FOR
WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE-ISSUE FEE PAID

Sir:

The Issue Fee was paid on August 26, 2004. A new relevant prior art reference came to Applicant's attention on September 2, 2004, necessitating the filing of an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Accordingly, it is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.313(c) that the Petition for Withdrawal be granted to permit timely filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in the above-referenced case.

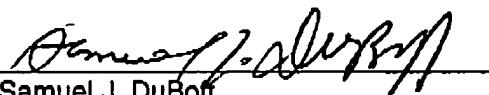
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Respectfully submitted,

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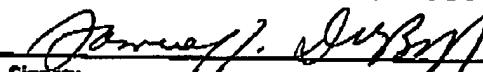
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(Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c) Withdrawal From Issue—Issue Fee Paid [10-7]—page 1 of 2)

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NOTE: "In the event that it is necessary to file a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(b) [now 1.313(c)] to withdraw an application from issue after payment of the issue fee, the PTO strongly recommends that the petition be clearly marked 'Petition under 37 CFR 1.313(b)' and be either: (1) Submitted by facsimile to (703) 308-6916; or (2) Hand carried to the Office of Petitions.

"Otherwise, it is quite possible that the petition will not be brought before the appropriate deciding official before the date the application issues as a patent.

"The most common petition under 37 CFR 1.313(b) [now 1.313(c)] is a petition [under 37 CFR 1.313(c)] to withdraw an application from issue for abandonment in favor of a continuing application to permit consideration of an information disclosure statement (IDS) in the continuing application. In this event, applicants are encouraged to file the petition under 37 CFR [1.313(c)(3)] with a [continuing application] under 37 CFR 1.53(d) by facsimile to (803) 308-6916. The petition need not be accompanied by the IDS (if the size of the IDS makes its submission by facsimile impracticable), but the petition should indicate that an IDS will be filed in the [continuing application] if an IDS does not accompany the petition under 37 CFR [1.313(c)(3)]." Notice of April 6, 1999, 1221 OG 14-15. (emphasis in original).

1. Applicant petitions that the above identified application be withdrawn from issue.

The issue fee was paid on 8/26/04 (date).

2. Reason for withdrawal from issue:

NOTE: 37 CFR 1.313(c): Once the issue fee has been paid, the application will not be withdrawn from issue upon petition by the applicant for any reason except:

(1) Unpatentability of one or more claims, which petition must be accompanied by an unequivocal statement that one or more claims are unpatentable, an amendment to such claim or claims, and an explanation as to how the amendment causes such claim or claims to be patentable;

(2) Consideration of a request for continued examination in compliance with § 1.114; or

(3) Express abandonment of the application. Such express abandonment may be in favor of a continuing application.

The reason applicant seeks withdrawal from issue of this application is:

Filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
and submittal of an Information Disclosure Statement

3. Petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l)):

Attached is a check for \$130.00.
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A duplicate of this petition is attached.

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